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Ms Katherine Kelly
Attention: SWP Water Delivery Report
California Department of Water Resources
P.O. Box 942836
Sacramento, California 94236-0001

Subject: Comments on the Draft State Water Project Delivery Reliability Report

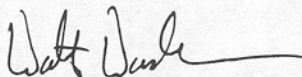
Dear Ms. Kelly:

The Santa Clara Valley Water District (District) commends the Department of Water Resources (DWR) for its effort in making available this important information about the reliability of the State Water Project. The State Water Project is a critical source of supply to meet the needs of Silicon Valley's 1.7 Million residents and economy. The final Report will be very helpful to us in developing an integrated water resources plan for Santa Clara County, and in updating our Urban Water Management Plan.

In regards to the draft Report, we support those comments provided by the State Water Contractors Association. You indicated that DWR intends to update the Report every two years, or as frequently as needed, and we think that it would be very worthwhile to keep it updated.

We would like to thank DWR for opportunity to review the draft Report, and for holding one of the public meetings at our District office. This was an invaluable opportunity for South Bay Aqueduct contractors and water users to discuss the reliability of the State Water Project, and how those supplies fit into our overall water management. If you have any questions about our comments, please call Kellye Kennedy at (916) 448-8497.

Sincerely,



Walt Wadlow
Chief Operating Officer

